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1. The amendment filed 12/30/02 as paper no 17, is not fully responsive to the communication mailed 8/28/02 for the reason(s) set forth below:

The Amendment filed 12/30/02 as paper no 17 contains a discrepancy between the clean copy and the marked up copy. For example claim 1 in the clean copy has parts (I) to (V) and the marked up version has parts (v), (vi) (vii), (viii) and (v). It is unclear if additional steps are to be included in the method which were left out of the claims.

It is required that applicant proofread and carefully review the amendment filed 12/30/02, taking into account the claims as they are currently written and make appropriate changes as required, with a new amendment.

2. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of **ONE (1) MONTH** or **THIRTY (30) DAYS**, from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME LIMIT MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Examiner Larry P. Helms, Ph.D., Art Unit 1642, whose telephone number is 703 308 4879. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308 0196.

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